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SUBJECT: PROPOSED INTERIM LEGISLATION ON DEEP SEABED MINING AND
200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE

REF: STATE 193107

1. REFTEL RECEIVED AT MID-DAY SEPT 4.

2. AS DEPT AWARE, BRAZIL CLAIMS 200 TERRITORIAL MILES
BUT HAS SHOWN SIGNS OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER FLEXIBILITY ON SUCH
IMPORTANT ASPECTS AS NAVIGATION AND OVERFLIGHT WITHIN 200-MILE ZONE.
USG UNILATERAL ACTION SUCH AS THAT DESCRIBED REFTEL WOULD ALMOST
CERTAINLY CONVINCE GOB IT DID WELL TO STAKE OUT ITS OWN 200-MILE
CLAIM IN ADVANCE, AND WOULD SEVERELY REDUCE, IF NOT INDEED ELIMINATE,
BRAZILIAN FLEXIBILITY WITH REGARD TO COASTAL STATE RIGHTS
AND DUTIES IN ANY EVENTUAL GLOBAL REGIME. SUCH
USG ACTION WOULD ALSO , OF COURSE, UNDERCUT EFFORTS WE
HAVE MADE SO FAR TO PERSUADE GOB OF DESIREABILITY OF
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AVOIDING EXTREME UNILATERAL CLAIMS WHICH ONLY PREJUDICE

CHANCES OF REACHING EVENTUAL GLOBAL REGIME.

3. SIMILARLY, WITH REGARD TO DEEP SEABEDS, SUCH USG ACTION WOULD CONVINCE BRAZILIANS THAT USG COMMITTED TO DEVIL-TAKE-THE-HIND MOST APPROACH IN WHICH HANDFUL OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES EXPLOIT "COMMON HERITAGE OF MANKIND" TO OWN BENEFIT WHILE LDC'S FALL INCREASINGLY BEHIND. IN ADDITION TO THUS SHARPENING DC-LDC CONFLICT, SUCH USG ACTION WOULD UNDERCUT THOSE LDC'S--SUCH AS BRAZIL--WHICH HAVE SHOWN SOME MODERATION IN CONTROVERSY OVER SEABEDS EXPLOITATION.

4. ADDITIONALLY, BRAZIL-U.S. SHRIMP AGREEMENT, WHICH SIDESTEPS SOVEREIGNTY ISSUE, EXPIRES AT END OF THIS YEAR. SUCH USG ACTION COULD WELL PROMPT BRAZILIANS TO DEMAND FAR-REACHING REVISION OF AGREEMENT CONTRARY TO OUR INTERESTS.
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